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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 16, 1895. 1515

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A. C. MARSHALL,
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Hongkong, May 17, 1895. 823

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

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CHARLES INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 6, 1895. 247

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JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, June 18, 1895. 228

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 18, 1895. 249

Business Notices.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE—No. 204.

REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN

MARK LODGE will be held at the

FRASER'S HALL THIS EVENING, the

28th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.

Visiting Brethren are cordially invited

to attend.

Hongkong, March 28, 1895. 565

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 62.

ON behalf of the TAMSIU COMMISSIONER

the Undersigned beg to

notify for the information of all whom it

may concern, that the North Formosa

Port of TAMSIU and KEELUNG are now

CLOSED by TORPEDOS.

Weather permitting the Shipments and

Discharge of Cargo is still possible outside

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H. BIGAR HOBSON,

Commissioner of Customs for

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CUSTOM HOUSE, Kowloon, 26th March, 1895.

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Hongkong, March 25, 1895. 564

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

A MEETING of the STEWARDS of the

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB held on the

12th Inst., it was decided to INCREASE

the ADDITIONAL MONEY of the HONGKONG

DERRY at the next MEETING in 1895 to

\$1,000; and By-Law 10 was altered to

read, "Height for Ponies 14 hands 3 inches

and under."

HART BUCK,

Acting Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, March 22, 1895. 560

In the Matter of ROBERT FRASER-

SMITH, Deceased.

PERSONS INDEBTED to the above

ESTATE will oblige by PAYING the

AMOUNTS DUE to the SHROFF of

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

G. F. A. SANGSTER,

Acting Registrar and Official Administrator.

Hongkong, February 25, 1895. 566

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF

HONGKONG.

In the Matter of the Estate of ROBERT

FRASER-SMITH, late of Victoria,

in the Colony of Hongkong, Deceased.

31 CREDITOR.

THE CHINA MAIL.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LIMITED.

A REFERENCE TO THE LABOURISTS.
The annual general meeting of shareholders in the China Sugar Refining Co., Limited, was held in the offices of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. (General Agents) this afternoon. The Hon. J. J. Newick presided, and others were present—Hon. E. R. Bellis, Messrs. F. A. Gomez, D. R. Stansell, Mr. C. M. Macmillan (Consulting Committee), H. C. Wilcox, J. E. Bell-living, D. Landale, G. F. Penwick, W. A. Crickshank, K. M. Ross, G. P. Taylor, A. Tillett, G. Murray Bain, Ho Tung, Ho Fook, J. Barton (Secretary).

Mr. Barton read the notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, with your permission we will as customary take the report and accounts which have been in your hands some days as read. The course of business during last year was marked by incidents highly unusual, and taken altogether, unparalleled in the history of the Company. During the earlier spring months the output at the works was curtailed owing to an insufficient supply of water caused by the exceptionally dry weather, which lasted into the month of May, and seriously interfered with business. No sooner had rain fallen and a supply of water been obtained than the outbreak of the plague caused a temporary stoppage of the refinery, owing to a strike among the coolies, who refused to work. Following upon this the China and Japan War, which unfortunately caused a cessation of trade, and brought about a fall in the Northern Markets of the former country to a lesser extent in Japan also. In the meantime the prospects of a large increase in the production of Beet Sugar had begun to tell up in that market, and the price fell heavily during the early autumn months, until a level was reached absolutely unknown before in the history of the industry. The consequence of this was a corresponding fall in Sugar everywhere, which has rendered shipments most of our outlying consuming markets during the past few months unprofitable, and it is difficult to make a forecast of the result of our operations so long as the present hostilities continue. Under these circumstances I hope you will agree with me that the results of the year's operations, as disclosed by the accounts laid before you, though not so good as we could wish, are, nevertheless, not unsatisfactory, considering the difficulties under which the business of the Company has been carried on; our trade is inherently of a somewhat fluctuating nature, and we cannot always expect to see results such as those of the year 1893. I think, however, that the result of the year's working should teach us the expediency of being moderately conservative in our publications, as is reasonably good. The fact that we have done something to fall back upon in times not so prosperous, I am happy to say that one of the difficulties with which we had to contend during the earlier part of last year is likely to disappear in future, as we have obtained a suitable site for a reservoir at a moderate cost, and when this is completed the dry weather supply of water should be sufficient for all our needs. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I desire to say that the present labour strike is causing us great trouble and loss, and it is quite impossible, apparently, to form any idea how long it may last. The daily loss to the Colony must be enormous, and it is to be hoped some means will be devised for preventing the recurrence of such incidents, which would be happy to answer my questions which may be addressed to me by any shareholder.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. Wilcox seconded.

The Chairman thanked the shareholders for their attendance, and intimated that dividend warrants will be ready on Friday, 29th inst.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Legislative Council met this afternoon. H. E. Sir William Robinson presided.

There were also present: Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Colonial Secretary; Hon. A. J. Leach, Acting Attorney-General; Hon. A. M. Thomson, Acting Colonial Treasurer; Hon. R. M. Rumsey, Harbour Master; Hon. G. P. Chater, Hon. J. J. Keswick, Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, Hon. E. R. Bellis, Hon. A. McConachie, and Mr. A. Seth, Clerk of Councils.

HANTRY BYE-LAWS.

The Colonial Secretary moved and the Acting Attorney-General seconded the application of bye-laws passed by the Sanitary Board in respect of the Public Deposits for Sheep and Swine.

The Acting Colonial Treasurer drew attention to the fact that a number of the bye-laws did not appear to come under the Public Health Ordinance, and suggested

Mr. Leach said it was a pity the Treasurer did not make his suggestions to the Government before the bye-laws were brought before the Council.

IMMIGRATION.

Mr. Leach moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to enable the Governor in Council to restrict the immigration of Chinese into the Colony and for other purposes in connection therewith." He explained that the object of the Bill was to empower the Governor to prohibit immigration in the event of plague being prevalent or existing in any other place outside the Colony.

Bill read.

Mr. Leach moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to further amend 'The Waterworks Ordinance, 1890.' The object of the Bill is to repeal Sections 84 and 85 of the old Ordinance and to substitute a new Section in order to do away with an apparent inconsistency between the two Sections.

Bill read.

LICENSING OF TRADES.

Mr. Leach moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance for regulating the Licensing of Private Vehicles." He explained that there was no intention of interfering with private chauri or rickshas, but to deal with trucks, carts and troties which were becoming a nuisance.

Bill read.

ARMS CONSOLIDATION BILL.

Council went into Committee on this Bill.

Mr. Keswick read a portion of a letter he had received only two hours before the Council met, and asked for further delay. The letter was signed by several German firms. He received the letter as Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and had no time to submit it to the Committee of the Chamber.

It was agreed to defer consideration of the Bill till next meeting, any amendment to be communicated to the Government.

TREASURER.

Mr. Cooper's report on Taipingchuan was referred to the Public Works Committee.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Council adjourned till Thursday next.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Held after the Council meeting—the Colonial Secretary presiding.

THE SANCTUARY DEPARTMENT.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$100 per annum for 9 months from 1st April, 1895.

Agreed.

EXCHANGE COMPENSATION.—NO FINALITY.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote the sum of \$38,000, for payment of Exchange Compensation in respect of 1894.

The above is approximately the unexpected balance of the sum previously voted.

The President—Hon. Members will notice this is a vote. They will remember that at a meeting of Council held on 23rd November last the Hon. the Senior Unofficial Member moved that a sum of \$30,000 be voted in respect of exchange compensation. Only part of that sum was expended last year, as all the members of the Civil Service at that time did not accept the terms offered them. All the members have now accepted the terms which have been offered to them, and it is necessary to vote this amount in order to cover the amount of compensation that will have to be paid.

Mr. Bellis—Have all the members of the Civil Service accepted the arrangement?

The President—All have accepted who are entitled to exchange compensation.

Mr. Bellis—I do not suppose the question has been cleared up even now. For what year have these gentlemen accepted the arrangement?

The President—The Secretary of State, in offering the terms, has laid it down clearly that they are open to yearly reconsideration.

Mr. Bellis—I am sorry to say that the amount will be paid by the Manila agents, and the master will receive payment.

The President—It seems to me a certificate of that kind should be signed by an independent gentleman or accountant. If you have not got such an account as independent certificate might next go down from Manila.

The Chairman—It is the wish of the shareholders, the Manila agents will be

what the Secretary of State has said; it is

said to be vs the sugar stocks verified and a certificate over of what the stocks are and any other information that may meet the views of the shareholders as expressed by Mr. Bellis.

Mr. Bellis—Do you wish me to formulate this as a resolution?

The Chairman.—If you do desire it. But I think the Manila agents will be only too glad to meet the wishes of the shareholders. I do not think it is necessary to put it in the form of a resolution. I am quite sure that when the Manila agents receive the account of the meeting and the inquiry made by yourself they will be quite ready to meet the wishes of the shareholders.

The Chairman then proposed and Mr. Bellis seconded the adoption of the report and accounts.

Agreed.

Mr. Sharp proposed, and Mr. Taylor seconded, the re-election of the Consulting Committee, Messrs Gillies and Lewis.

Agreed.

On the motion of Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Crickshank, Mr. Arnold was re-elected auditor.

The Chairman thanked the shareholders for their attendance and intimated that dividend warrants will be ready on Friday, 29th inst.

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Mr. Bellis—Yearly!

The President—Yearly is the term on which it has been offered and accepted.

Mr. McConachie—I understand there are no new terms offered by the Secretary of State.

The President—The difference is this. When the vote last came before the Council, the Secretary of State had made an offer of 3/ compensation on a half of the salary drawn on active service and of 3/ while on leave. These terms, it was discovered, were not the same as were offered the Civil Service in the Straits Settlements, and a large majority of the Civil Service refused to accept the terms and the matter was referred home to the Secretary of State in a memorial signed by the members of the Civil Service of Hongkong. The Secretary of State has reconsidered the matter and has decided that the Civil Servants of Hongkong shall be placed on the same footing as the Civil Servants of the Straits Settlements on half their salary while on active service and 3/ while on leave.

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The Chairman

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C. TOURNAIRE,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, March 23, 1895.

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Bayer... (Monday, July 22,

Prussia... (Monday, August 19,

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Hongkong, March 22, 1895.

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THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA, on WEDNESDAY, 17th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 22, 1895.

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NOTICE.

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